

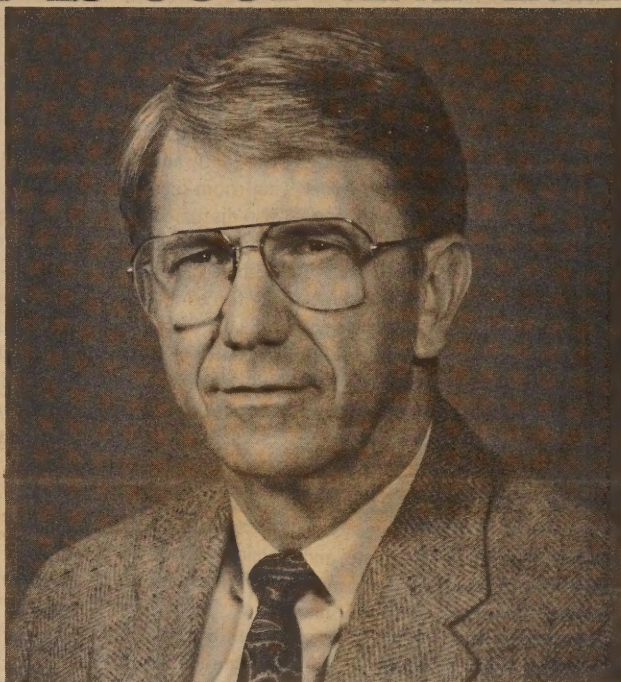
The Fulcrum

THE NEWS IS GOOD AND BAD FOR BCC

by Robert Fortner
News Editor

It was a good-news-bad-news situation at the Board of Trustees meeting held in the Faculty Lounge, B-224, on Sept. 23. While the ongoing budget problems were discussed, the long awaited signing of labor contracts took place.

Dr. Dellow, president of BCC, told the board the preliminary budget estimate for the 94-95 year indicates there will be a probable shortfall of \$800,000 on a \$20 million budget. Adding to the problem is low numbers of enrollment, which have been estimated at 3.5 percent below what was budgeted for the 93-94 school year. Dellow said the actual numbers won't be in until after the attendance period ends in October. However, Dellow pointed out that if this trend continues into the spring semester, the college could be looking at \$200,000 less in tuition than was budgeted for the period.



President Dr. Donald Dellow of BCC

Dellow reported that the college was not expecting any increase from the county in their share of the college's sponsorship due to county budget woes. The county has not raised its share of the sponsorship in three years. He expressed concern over the future

of the institution.

"It is going to get to the point where it hurts people in the community before anyone notices. Then it will be too late!" Dellow said.

Ways of saving and restructuring are being looked into by college officials Dellow reported. He estimated that \$47,000 would be saved this year with the move from administration to faculty by John Pierog, and the retirement of the Dean of Health Sciences Joseph Gay. Dellow is redistributing the duties of these offices rather than refilling the positions. He said reaction to the changes has been positive and did not foresee any problems as a result.

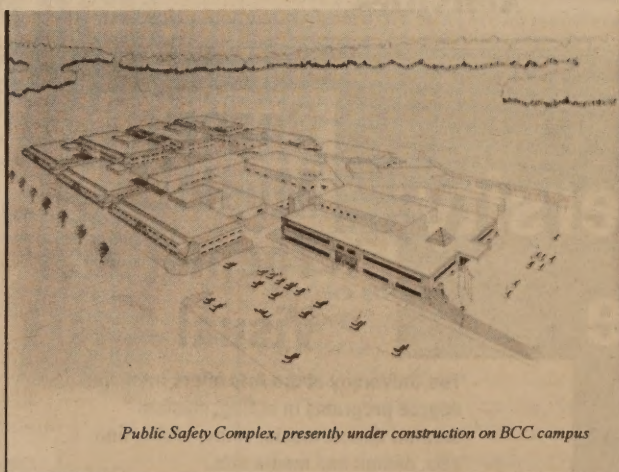
With an early retirement of four people, Dellow estimates the college can save another \$179,000 over the 94-95 school year. Reorganization, during the 93-94 year could save \$180,600 in 94-95. By freezing vacant positions an estimated \$108,900 would be saved. Other personnel changes, (continued on page 10)

Eyesore Soon To Be Removed

By Kathy Thurston
Editor

The walls of his office are covered with memorabilia; awards, certificates, citations of commendation, mementos and arm patches from other police departments. On one wall, flanked by a collection of Broome County sheriff's badges on one side and a collage of handcuffs and keys on the other side, sits a large artist's rendition of the final layout of the new Broome County Public Safety Complex, the pet project of Sheriff Anthony De Angelo.

Deangelo explained that the need for a new facility has been around for a long time. The pressure to stay within



Public Safety Complex, presently under construction on BCC campus

guidelines of the Commission of Corrections, in spite of the rise in crime, coupled with the need to keep the cost within the reach

of taxpayer's pocketbooks, severely limited the options. However, the cost of "farming out" prisoners was running anywhere

from 800,00 to 1 million dollars a year. Building a new prison seemed to be the best answer overall.

The final project goes farther than that. The sheriff's office is located in downtown Binghamton, while the jail is located in Port Dickenson. The new complex will consolidate all of Broome County's sheriff's administration, police department and the emergency 911 system, as well as a 400 bed corrections unit.

The new building will completely replace the old jail, which is considered an eyesore to the community. The complex will also boast the latest in safety (Continued on page 3)

NEWS

CONVOCATION 1993

MAZRUI HIGHLIGHT OF CONVOCATION DAY

by: Tina Waffle
Staff Writer

Even though he joked that we would find it hard to understand him, Dr. Ali Mazrui's message of cultural equality was clear. On September 23, addressing a crowd of more than 200 students and faculty, he stated that while they may differ in traditions, values and ways of life, "All cultures are morally equal."

Mazrui is the Albert Schweitzer Professor in the Humanities and director of the Institute of Global Cultural Studies at Binghamton University.

The sometimes controver-

sial Mazrui discussed his views on how women differ from each other in various countries. He said, "Increasing the power of women is different from increasing their freedom... In the East there is a political empowerment of women," while in the West, "There is more female liberation."

To prove his point that women are usually at the top, politically, Mazrui mentioned Scandinavian countries. He stated, "The United States achieved highest in female liberation, but are not most powerful." Great Britain, Mazrui claimed, comes somewhere between what he perceives

to be progress in the west and lack of progress in the east. Mazrui stated, "Women in the United States are far from this." He forecast that he sees, "...no sign of a woman in the White House in the 20th century," but "...there may be one in the 21st century."

In addressing the standing-room-only audience, Mazrui also discussed positive and negative multiculturalism. He said, "Ethnic diversity leads to releasing forces that fight each other," a factor that tends to split countries such as Bosnia and Yugoslavia. He maintained that when differences can be resolved among races, it leads to a favorable con-

dition called "pluralism." Mazrui said one of the positive aspects of the cold war was breaking the barrier between the east and the west. He cited the destruction of the Berlin wall to prove his point.

Mazrui alluded to the increasing of racism in the white world. He said there are "...new forms of German racism that helps to spread in other European countries."

He also spoke about infant mortality rates and the fact that the United States ranks 22nd in this area, with most deaths occurring among minorities. Finally he stressed that we need to go forward together as a country, and not backward.

out was smaller than it had been in the spring.

Dave Maslar, director of student activities said the Student Government Association and his office didn't really expect to break the record set last spring.

"It's like the difference between national and local elections. You never get the same turnout, local election turnout is always smaller. Still, we did pretty well," Maslar said.

Though the numbers were down from the executive board elections last spring, they reflect a growth in interest by students in student government. The turnout fell just short of the old record of 202 set during an executive board election.

In order to fill the six full time and two part time seats which were not filled during the election, the student government has requested that any student who wishes to serve as a senator submit a biography and a 250 word essay to the SGA office, SA 103, by Oct. 12. The submissions will be presented to the Student Senate on Oct. 13 and reviewed for one week. On Oct. 20 the Student Senate will vote on and appoint applicants to the eight unfilled seats.

Voter Interest Remains High For '93 Elections

by: Robert Fortner
News Editor

Although the numbers weren't as large as they were during the spring, executive board elections, voter participation remained high, as students went to the polls to elect the new Student Senate. The elections were held in the Student Center lobby on Sept. 23 and 24. Also held was an election held for vice president of Financial Affairs, left vacant with the resignation of Julia Adams.

Only six candidates elected to run for the senate, and were subsequently all voted into office. They are: Edward Frink,

"It's like the difference between national and local elections..."

**Dave Maslar
Dir. Student
Activities**

Larry Harvilchuck, Tammie M. Oakley, Edward Romero, Paul R. Skojec, and Allan Truesdell.

The seat of Vice President for Financial Affairs went to Laurie Tamblyn, who beat Chris Baker in a two way race.

Last spring the executive board elections saw a great deal of campus involvement. The election broke the record for voter turnout of 202 by 327 votes, bringing the new record in at 529. Many of the same steps were taken during the senate elections to insure another high turnout. However, voter turn-

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NEWS

Eyesore To Be Replaced (continued)

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technology, such as "Touch Tone Security," a computer system which affords constant supervision, assuring the optimum in security levels.

DeAngelo said, "What were building is what we call a direct supervision facility."

The sheriff said that there are no such facilities within 150 miles of Broome County, and added, "This is going to be the prototype for the North-east."

In addition, De Angelo has suggested the new unit be used as a lab for BCC students enrolled in the Criminal Justice program. Students would be able to train along with the Sheriff's staff and earn college credits while doing so. Not only that, but as DeAngelo sees it, the proximity of the jail could make it possible for some of the college's programs to be brought in to the inmates. The

sheriff also said the educational programs for the inmates will be paid for by revenue from commissary sales and therefore, would not affect county taxes. Many inmates already earn their G.E.D.'s while serving their term and plans are being made

to bring in college computer courses.

Charles

Quagliata, vice-president of Institutional Advancement said the college is very interested in offering community education programs to the inmates. "It would be a very positive experience for them," he said.

The Public Safety Complex will be an attractive addition to the community. All barriers will be interior, so there will be no resemblance to a "jail." DeAngelo said the building will look like part of the campus. Quagliata said he has seen the sketches and thinks the facility will be a vast improvement over the old building. "If we have to have a jail, I'd prefer the new one to the old one," he concluded.



Sheriff De Angelo

CONTEST: WHAT DO YOU DO WITH A DINOSAUR?

Sheriff DeAngelo has informed *The Fulcrum* that the land the old jail is on will become part of this campus when the new complex is completed. When contacted about plans for the old jail and the land, Dr. Dellow said that no definite plans had been formulated, except for the fact that the building will be torn down and a road built through the property.

We have a couple of better ideas. One suggestion is to leave the building and move all the adjunct offices out of the "Dungeon" and put them in the jail. Another possibility would be to convert this college to a residency school, open the jail up as a dormitory and charge admission on Friday nights for the public to view the "wild animals." We could also host a special "Open House" on the night before finals so the public could get a first hand look at students cramming.

Anyway, we are certain our readers have some better ideas. Therefore, we are running a campus-wide essay contest to try to help the administration decide what to do with the land.

If you have a what you think is a good idea, write an essay, 250 word or less, typed and double spaced, and submit it to *The Fulcrum* by 4 p.m., October 20. Essays will be judged on originality, humor, form and substance. The contest is open to everyone on campus except for members of *The Fulcrum* staff and their judges.

So get busy writing! First prize is \$50! The second place essay will receive \$25 and third place will get \$10. The winners will be announced and the essays will be published in the November 4 issue of *The Fulcrum*.

Essays may be dropped off at our office in B-212, or in our mailbox in Wales. They may also be mailed to:

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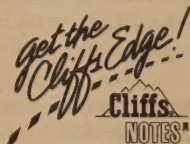
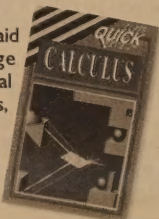
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EDITORIALS



Letters to the Editor

Dear Fulcrum Editorial Staff,

I am writing this letter in response to a recently published editorial entitled, "Race Does Not AN American Make". It is quite understandable to see how one who is looking in from the outside, on the positive activities and reasonable demands of African American students, can misinterpret their true intents. Let me explain why I used the phrase, "looking in from the outside". As with anything that has a specific group of people in mind for it's functional livelihood, there will be many others who may be unfamiliar with such things. If that unfamiliar person chooses to examine these things, they must look into it, from the outside. So yes, it's understandable how one who is not of African American descent, can misconstrue the works of African American students as being "anti-unity".

This new 'trend' or 'fad', as you called it, concerning self imposed segregation at many universities and colleges by African American students, is not as new as you would like to think it is. It may be new for the likes of Broome Community College, but it is not new, by any means, on a national level. Binghamton Universities own Black Student Union (B.S.U.) is a perfect example of an organization that didn't simply

develop a part of passing trend, but has been alive for over twenty years. You also seem to be overlooking the many black established saroaraties and ferturnities that have existed before I was even born. The words 'trend' or 'fad' are inappropriate for this subject matter. Perhaps in the world of fashion, but certainly not in the world of heritage and culture.

You used the names of Martin Luther King, and Malcom (Little) X, and the things that they died for. Just for the record, Malcom X was known for his fight to unite his people under one order, not for trying to change segregation laws. To even suggest or imply that we, as African American students don't fully appreciate the profound meanings and causes linked to their deaths is a cruel insult to us and to our life long struggles. Let me emphasize the words, life long struggle. African American people in general continue to fight the very things some of our great leaders struggled and died for. These are things we must address everyday. Not just during Black History month, not only on King's birthday and not just during election time, but everyday.

So, you ask why then the demand for separate clubs, unions and organizations? Why then do we seem to encourage, even ask

for segregation in certain instances? The answer is simple. It's all about needs and the fulfillment of them. I'll try to elaborate on my answer with a brief, yet significant personal experience. I wanted to have my hair done in a style that is quite common, at least amongst African American women. I went into four public beauty solons, told four receptionist what I wanted done and had four similar replies, all shamefully whispered to me, "I'm sorry miss, but we just don't have any one who can do your kind of hair". I know this experience happened off campus but it can be used in light of certain campus situations. It was just another example of a need, that I as an African American women had, but couldn't have met by the "average" beauty solon. I don't know what that's telling you, but it's showing me that often times African Americans aren't accepted into the vast majority, thus we must create our own.

In essence that experience can be used in defense of certain types of self imposed segregation on campus. African Americans have certain needs that aren't and won't be addressed unless we take the initiative. By developing clubs and organizations, that are designed to met our needs is by no means an implication that we feel

any disgust towards white people. If anything, our so called self segregation, is a message to all that says, "Our needs will be obtained". To a degree some forms of self segregation are necessary for any minority to gain results and to help maintain their culture, not just African Americans.

You compared us to Irish immigrants. You said we should learn from their example on how to "assimilate into American culture". That statement is pure ignorant. It was my great grandfather, a man who was born here out of slavery, deprived of his own culture, who slaved to build this country, that the Irish migrated to, of their own choice. Not all black people living here are foreign, the majority were born here.

Basically it's all about African American student fulfilling their own needs, needs that the colleges and universities don't fulfill. We more than anyone, hold fast to the dreams of Dr. King. Therefore, don't judge us in haste. Instead, please take the time to really know the true meaning of our actions.

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Misheema Morrissey

Dear Editor,

I believe, with all the things going on as of lately, you should do an article on drinking and driving. It is getting out of hand. I have lost two friends, at the same time, one of which was my best friend. When a person drives after consuming alcoholic beverages they are not only putting their own lives on the line, but are also taking other people's lives into their hands. Although it is common in this area, and so are the injuries due to it, people still do not understand the true dan-

ger behind it! As a campus newspaper I believe you would be able to show the real dangers behind drinking and driving.

Carol

I also have a poem. I would appreciate it if you would put it in the paper. It's dedicated to Lynn Gallagher Davis, who was killed August 8, 1993, by a drunk driver.

No Matter how hard I try,
or how many tears fall;

I can never lose the hurting
without you here.

You were my best friend,
my sister, my helper;

Always there when I
needed you to offer a shoulder.

Now you have been taken
away, never to return;

As I go on living without
you.

Every day that goes by,
seems to take forever;

While I think about all our
time spent together.

You knew almost every-
thing about me;

And yet you remained my
friend.

Not many people under-
stand things as you always did;

Never passing judgment
before knowing a story.

A true friend to the end,
always in my heart;

Though we may be sepa-
rated physically;

We will never be apart!

This was written to a
person who did a lot in my life
and was taken away. I will miss
you.

Carol A. Larkin
August 20, 1993

EDITORIALS



Letters to the Editor

CULTURAL DIVERSITY NOT ENOUGH SAYS POC AN OPEN LETTER IN RESPONSE TO THE RECENT *FULCRUM* EDITORIAL "RACE DOES NOT AN AMERICA MAKE" AND OTHER COMMENTS THEREIN

WE WOULD LIKE TO PREFACE THIS STATEMENT BY SAYING THIS IS THE ONE AND ONLY TIME WE WILL RESPOND TO SUCH REMARKS

The editorial which appeared in the most recent issue of the *Fulcrum* has prompted us to respond in this open letter to the allegations of a "new fad" or "trend sweeping the colleges and universities of America" in which racial unity is being lost in the self-imposed segregation "which it accuses African American students of taking part in, as far as the authors(s) see it by demanding their own unions, dormitories, and organizations. It goes on to say that gains made by such great Americans such as Martin Luther King and Malcom X are being reversed by "those they died for." Three questions are set forth; one being if blacks see whites as being "so disgusting they can't handle being part of the same community?" Another asks if blacks are afraid of losing their culture? last, it asks if the US will become the home of two separate cultures, existing in hate and resentment? We are then given the Irish as example to assist our attitude in assimilating into this American culture, by way of the melting pot.

These are strong words and we feel impelled to answer them. This being an institution of higher learning, where the pursuit of truth should be the paramount objective, one cannot help but wonder if the author(s) took the time to speak to any African-American students and inquire regarding why they want their own clubs and organizations, before taking it upon themselves to speak on the "whys and wherefores" of the situation. We feel we are being slandered by such incorrect depiction therefore must correct the mistaken view this article gives of us as black students. Since the questions mentioned are posed as "unanswered," we will address them at this time.

There is no comparison that can be made between hazing, in which sororities/fraternities put their prospective members through sometimes life threatening experiences to gain membership; and the demands of students, blacks included, for organizations that form to meet and support needs they feel to be important. Student clubs on most campuses, and likewise on our own, exist for this exact purpose: meeting and supporting the special interests of the particular group its members compose. Therefore we have seen such groups form on our own campus as Dynamic Parents - for adult students with children; Differently Abled Student Organization - for students with physically and otherwise challenging situations to overcome; Returning Students - for adult students returning to college after extended periods of time, and International Students - for students coming to us from other countries. We do not see such groups as threatening, rather most see them as positive efforts on the part of the members to meet their particular needs/desires. We do not say to them, "Why can't you just assimilate into the campus population?", or accuse them of trying to separate themselves because they form a group to meet needs they feel are not addressed by organizations already in place.

Blacks do not feel whites to be disgusting, otherwise we would not be on this campus or any other in the nation in the increasing numbers by which we are now represented. More often than not, it is whites who have the problem accepting blacks into their communities, even right here in Binghamton area.

We as Black Americans are not afraid of losing our culture. It would be more correct to say we have no intention of losing our culture, and that in pursuit of this objective, we seek to establish clubs and organizations particular to our needs. As long as these do not interfere with regular college operations, infringe on the rights of other students or faculty, or promote negative feeling between Blacks and other races, it is hard to see why we should not be able to have such organizations. We see in our own community organizations and establishments with names like the Jewish Community Center, Sons of Italy, Polish Community Home, Isamic Organization of the Southern Tier, and others. Why is it that when an organization forms, that has as its agenda black issues, there is an uproar and accusations of such things as "self-imposed segregation"?

When the Irish came to America they faced hardships in their integration into American culture. However, the problems were of a different nature than that of Black Americans, many times including clashes over politics, religion, America's involvement with the war, and Britain's treatment of Ireland. Even to this day, we would not see it as strange for an American of Irish descent to be outraged over the still ongoing conflicts that we see raging between the English and Irish today. Indeed, England's mistreatment of Ireland was cited by the founding fathers of this country in the defense of their revolution against England.

However, when the Irish came to this country, they were not stripped of their customs and even names, nor were they forbidden to speak their native tongue, nor were their families broken up and sold, nor were they determined to be less than human, thereby allowing atrocities to be committed against them without fear of punishment on the part of persecutors. They were not denied the opportunity to learn to read, write, or to vote. In this relatively young country, it has only been since 1954 that the law insists on equal education for Black Americans; with the enforcement of this law sometimes ending with violence and bloodshed because of the opposition of the whites affected. The different histories of these two people have inherently left their mark, and made it necessary for the different approaches toward integration into the society in which we now find ourselves. It seems assimilation is not the same for all.

Diversity in itself is not enough, for in definition it only means having differences or variety. Without a doubt, there exists in America and on our campus, cultural and racial diversity. However, unless this diversity exists in dialogue it cannot lead to unity. It should not be that we have to be alike to like each other. In fact, it is the things that make us different, from culture to culture, person to person, and so on, that make this land the interesting place that it is. In America, one can experience the world, in places like Little Venice, or Little China, for it has moved from the idea of a "melting pot" to one of a "salad bowl". As a nation, America is now comprised of many races and cultures, each distinct in its own right, yet part of the whole.

Black Americans are no different in this respect. They have as much right or reason as any other group to pursue particular to their needs. There is no logical reason for such activity to be viewed as negative. Evidence points to the fact that people who have a high sense of self-esteem act in accord with it. One way to promote this is through the founding of student organizations that encourage the building of a positive self-image for themselves and others in relation to them.

We would conclude with again emphasizing the fact that cultural diversity is not enough. We must also have cross-cultural communication. Until we can embrace our brother-man with respect and accept him with his differences, we will not be able to embrace him at all.

PEOPLE OF CULTURE STUDENT ORGANIZATION
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GUEST EDITORIAL

MEANINGFUL DIALOGUE PROMOTES UNITY

The following is a letter to the editors submitted by Kathleen McKenna, Affirmative Action Officer.

A *Fulcrum* editorial published recently entitled, "Race Does Not An American Make," stated "...all across America racial unity is being lost in the self-imposed segregation of Afro Americans." The editors suggested the African Americans should assimilate into American society the way that the Irish assimilated, and implied that African Americans should continue to pursue Dr. Martin Luther King's dream of "...a land where people don't look at one another and think of color."

Dr. King dreamed of a land where people are judged, not by the color of their skin, but by the strength of their character. Yet, we live in a land where an African American is judged

by the color of her or his skin on a daily basis. Both overt and subtle racism are common in our society. *The New York Times* recently reported that current studies have shown that an African American is far more likely to be denied a mortgage than a European American with the same income and credit history.

Hate mail advocating violence against non-whites is being distributed here in Broome county. Statistics show that in Broome County, 1 of 3 blacks lives in poverty, compared to 1 in 10 whites. They also show that the unemployment figures for blacks are consistently twice as high as those for whites. (*Press & Sun Bulletin*, August 22, 1993, p. 5-A, and the 1990 census.)

However, statistics don't tell the whole story. Ask an African American if she or he

has experienced racism, and she or he will probably ask if you mean in the last few minutes, hours or days. She or he will probably tell you that you would never be able to imagine the pervasiveness of the racism in our society, until you've had the opportunity to walk a mile in her or his shoes.

Yes, we desperately need dialogue between people of different races in our country, in our community, and on our college campus. In fact, BCC and the Urban League are sponsoring a forum entitled "Diversity at the Crossroads," on Sunday, October 17, from 5 to 7 p.m. at the Binghamton City Council Chambers. The Coalition Against Hate has proclaimed the week of October 18 to October 24, 1993 a "Week of Understanding."

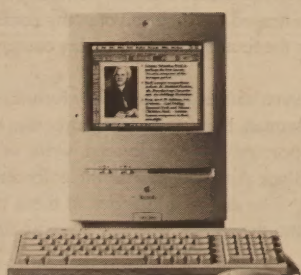
Like the Irish, the Italians, the Poles, women, the

differently-abled, laborers and every other group in this country, African Americans are wise to join together to discuss their common experiences, to support one another, to network, to socialize, to advance a political agenda, and simply to enjoy the first amendment's guarantee of a right to assemble. It is through organization that a group is able to make its voice heard, and I encourage others to join it in meaningful dialogue.



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FEATURES

Feeding The Minds Of The Poor

By: Ray Kuhr
Staff Writer

Robert Elsner would rather feed a mind than starve a child. Elsner recently collected 250 books from BCC. in his quest to help provide an educational foundation for underdeveloped third world countries.

"We want to provide them with the proper tools, such as the education and skills needed to develop their own country and utilize their own resources," said Volunteer Social Service (V.S.S.) Relief Coordinator Robert P. Elsner.

Elsner who has been a V.S.S. full time nurse for the past 15 years says when he isn't responding to disasters, he travels around to colleges and universities in the United States to collect donated books.

Charles J. Quagliata, vice-

president for Institutional Advancement, who directed Elsner to the area of the 250 book donations said, "Bravo! I would much rather have people receiving an education from these books than to see the books just sitting on a shelf."

Elsner says that the books he collects get centralized in either San Francisco or New York and from there get sent to Southeast Asia, Africa and the Middle East. The books then get disseminated to V.S.S. and other international school project organizations which distribute the books to schools and colleges.

Elsner said that all the people in the world are one big family and we should help one-another by sharing our resources. "Everyone has a right to education, everyone has the right to basic necessities."

Elsner gave an example of how an area in India (located west of Bangal) has been influenced by a world organization which helps

educate people. In the middle 1960's this area's educational system consisted of two buildings, three teachers and ten students. Today there is a city in this location with two high schools, two grammar schools and three colleges.

He also said there are 55 countries trying to establish technical high schools and colleges.

Elsner said, "A person with a developed mind is an asset to the whole human family."

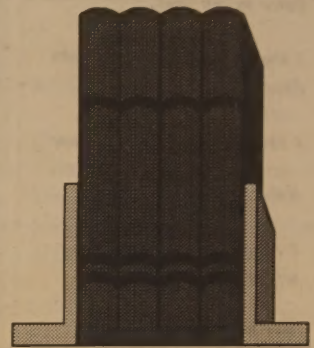
According to Elsner though there are 20 countries which consider themselves educated and civilized, but this may not always be true. "Being civilized is not just a moral or ethical thing. It means that you have empathy and sympathy for the human condition and that you want to solve problems," he said.

Elsner suggests that everyone should think globally and act locally. He said there are many groups and organizations people

can get involved with who are helping the needy.

"Governments seem to be problem makers, while people want to be problem solvers. I think the medium for that is social services," said Elsner.

A student commenting on the college's donation said, "I think it's great that the books are being used for such a good cause. How else are these people expected to learn how to help themselves?"



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LITERARY

*Last Forever in a Happy
Crowd
By Joseph*

Where is my little angel?

*The girl that creates rain-
bows to my soul*

*I try to hold her before she
flies away*

I thought I had her forever

Hold her for eternity

*I reach for her precious
wings*

But it is not to be...

*Now pain is all that flows
inside of me*

I look

But my angel I cannot see

As I crumble to the floor

In a room without a door

I cannot stand this anymore

*My tears
Slide like razor blades upon
my face*

This pain is all I taste

Where is my little angel?

*The girl that fuels the flame
in my heart*

*As I feel it crumble to dust
I'm so cold*

So piercingly scared

And empty

As my spine slowly comes apart

And the clouds and the sky

Have turned to a blanket of gray

*Wrapping me in a harrowing em-
brace*

Listen to the Inside
By Joseph

The black curtain call has come.

"Sit down Joseph and see what you have done

For the pain will run its course

Or that is what you believe

Don't be such a fool."

"Realize

How long you would only see the surface

And conceal yourself when she needed you the most

Your blind eyes never listened to your heart

And now your world has fallen apart

For so long you have been such a fool

Thoughts of her

After thoughts of you

While the edge would always draw closer

And now she has fallen off

But you are the one that is falling."

"This is what you deserve

But it is essential for the both of you

So let her fly

The suffering

Will hurt you like never before.

And I'm grasping at air

For my angel is no longer there

Where is my little angel?

Tear your heart to shreds

Deform your every futile thought

Push you deeper into your soul

You must be strong Joseph

While your little angel flies alone."

"Place your heart together with care

Using pieces of the intrinsic beauty that she possesses

Then your heart will contain her properly

This pain has enlightened you

And has allowed you to see

What you have looked past for so long

You and your little angel became habit

When you should have been in love

And you should have been friends

What you feel for her has always been there

Only denied."

"The way you behold her now

With your heart made from two

Will make you strong

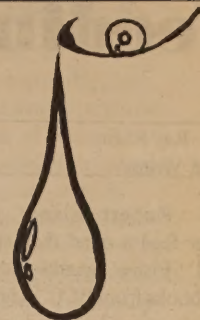
Be patient now

Accept it like she would

If it is meant to be...

Unless her heart

Has lost you for good."



SGA Q&A

ASK TOM: LIVING LARGE AND IN CHARGE

by Tom Newentner, SGA president

The following is a list of questions commonly directed to Student Government

Hey Tom! What about us smokers? Where are we going to smoke in the winter?

Come up with a plan. Let me know what you think is feasible. I can

only act on your input. Meantime, start using ashtrays instead of the ground. It will help improve your image.

Hey Tom! What do I do if I have a problem with a professor?

Go to the professor. Talk to the professor. If you get no satisfaction, come to the SGA and we'll help you move through the system to resolve

grievances.

Hey Tom! How come there's nothing I like going on with my Student Activities Fees?

Stop by SGA and tell me what you want, then help me plan it.

Hey Tom! Where are our higher parking fees going?

I don't know where it's going. I haven't been able to find. It's not going for road improvement. It's not

going for more spaces. It's not going for more security or lighting. It's not going for upgraded handicap parking. —(Ed's note: News editor, R. Fortner will ask be addressing this subject in our next issue.)

If you have any questions for this column, please send them to or visit the SGA office, SA-103.

FACING REALITY

JEANINE WOKE UP IN A COLD SWEAT WITH ONE THING ECHOING THROUGH HER BRAIN..... WHO WAS THIS PERSON IN HER BATHROOM?.....

MEANWHILE BARRY WAS THINKING..... "WHOSE BATHROOM AM I IN?"

JEANINE REMEMBERED GOING TO A PARTY AND GETTING SMASHED OUT OF HER MIND....

BARRY REMEMBERED GETTING DRUNK AND ACTING REALLY STUPID....

EVENUALLY THE WHOLE EVENING CAME BACK!!

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"WHAT ABOUT..."

"WHAT ABOUT..."

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FEATURES

ECONOMICAL SQUEEZE LEADS TO CONSOLIDATION

By: Chris Norton
Staff Writer

There is a move towards consolidation on campus.

The positions of vice president of student affairs, currently occupied by John Pierog, and the Dean of Health Sciences, currently occupied by Joseph Gay will be vacated next semester. There are no plans to replace the empty seats.

President of the college, Dr. Donald Dellow, said that the

changes came about because of a lack of increase in county contributions over the last three years, the cut-off in state funding, and increases in the salaries of the people working for the college. Because of these factors the college will need to generate \$800,000 to offset the economic crunch. Dellow also stated the vacant positions will save the college up to \$20000 next year.

Dellow said that the positions would be compensated for by the redistribution of the

responsibilities in Student Affairs and the combining of Health Science and technology divisions. He said he foresees no adverse effects from the consolidation and that there could be a revitalization due to the change. According to Dellow if when eliminating positions, teachers should not be affected if possible.

Tom Nowetner, president of the Student Government Association, feels the change is good. He also said the college could easily run with one vice

president of Academic Affairs and one vice president of Supportive Services. Nowetner also suggests the college could do away with all of the deans' positions and have directors manage each department. Nowetner called this "total quality management." Dellow said he has not received any negative response to the changes so far and said that all of the changes will be good for the college. He also expressed regret about the loss of jobs.

THE NEWS IS GOOD AND BAD FOR BCC (CON'D)

which were not specified, could be made for another \$166,500 savings. The total savings over the 94-95 year would add up to \$635,000. Dellow also wants to cut an additional \$100,000 in operating expenses. Two of these expenses are postage and telephone costs. These are being looked at to see where changes can be made to bring down costs.

Dellow also said that further personnel cuts may be considered if the situation warrants it.

"We have a lot of adjuncts. We can look at some of those positions," Dellow told the board.

The good news came in pairs. First the long awaited signing of labor contracts by Board of Trustees Chairperson Sharon Dyer put an end to negotiations that, in one case, had been going on for over a year. Signed were the contracts for Faculty Association, the Administrative Guild, and the Civil Service employees.

As she signed her name to the documents, Dyer said it was a great day and expressed relief that the contract battle was finally over.

Dellow said, of the contract signing, that it brought to

an end the successful efforts of a lot of individuals.

Civil Service employees Terry Tozer and John Callahan sat in on the meeting. Both men smiled and sighed when the last signature was fixed.

"We've been without a contract since last September," Tozer said.

Discrepancies over many items in the contract had to be re-

solved, according to Callahan, who said both sides had to give a lot to make the signing possible. Callahan called the final draft a "win/win" situation and didn't think either side had given more than the other.

The second item of good news was praise for the job of opening the new day care facility. Dellow said he couldn't believe how nice the center turned out,

and expressed pleasant surprise over how well the day care facility is being received.

"Think of all the years we've been waiting for this," Dellow said. He followed the statement by expressing a need to expand the facility which already has a lengthy waiting list.

Sharon Dyer called the project a job well done.

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ENTERTAINMENT

Concert Review

Depeche Mode and The The:

A Concert of Faith and Devotion.

By Joseph Coonick
Staff Writer

September 25, 1993
Nassau Coliseum, Long Island, NY

When two of the most popular "Alternative" bands in the world play on the same venue, the expectations loom larger than life. Both groups did not disappoint.

Opening band **The The** put on a flawless show for almost an hour despite singer **Matt Johnson's** bout with a cold.

Johnson sang with such power and delicacy that those who came only for the headliners were left in awe.

Ex-Smith's guitarist **Johnny Marr** put on another clinic on individuality with his unique sound which puts the majority of today's guitarists to shame.

Though the whole set by **The The** was simply eloquent, it was a drowning version of "August and September" that

stole the show.

As the sold-out crowd anticipated **Depeche Mode**, the energy forewarned of the approaching storm. The stage was covered with immense curtains that gave the impression of sheets of rain. Brilliant flashes and hollowing thunder turned the inside of the Coliseum into a powerful thunderstorm.

When **DM** finally appeared to "Policy of Truth," the power of the storm only intensified and didn't dissipate until the final words of "Everything Counts."

Lead singer **David Gahan** put on an acrobatic show as he danced and gyrated about, much to the pleasure of thousands of screaming Gothic girls, throughout the entire set.

Impressive lighting and several immense video screens behind Gahan showing strange creatures and engrossing shots of the band kept most of the

eyes on the stage even though the aisles were filled with dancing figures.

A live drum set and piano accompanied **Martian Gore's** devilishly erotic guitar play on several songs until Gore sang his classic "A Question of Trust" with such extreme emotion that it seemed the show should have ended right then. But "I Feel

You" sent the crowd back into a frenzy until the end.

"Personal Jesus" began two huge crowd participation encores that gave the impression that **DM** had come to listen to their fans. Such a tribute only seemed to glorify the perfection of the evening.

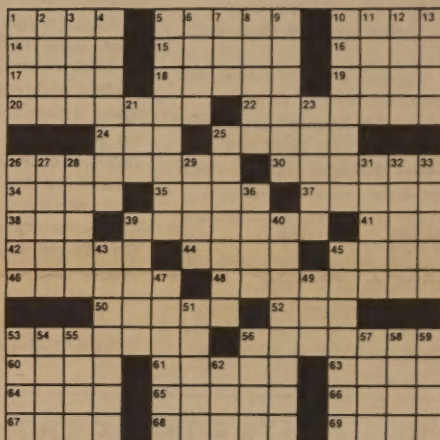
THE Crossword

ACROSS

- 1 Sits in for another
- 5 Recorded
- 10 Bar drinks
- 14 Snare
- 15 Egg-shaped
- 16 "I — man with seven ..."
- 17 Money exchange premium
- 18 Class of objects
- 19 Eng. river
- 20 Goes to bed
- 22 Predetermine
- 24 Building site
- 25 Eagle's nest
- 26 Trousers
- 30 Runaway
- 34 Come to earth
- 35 Otherwise
- 37 Mistake
- 38 Newspaper items
- 39 Invented
- 41 Eggs
- 42 Kind of bath
- 44 Flirtatious girl
- 45 Last word
- 46 Gives medical aid
- 48 Certain passes
- 50 Relates
- 52 Food scrap
- 53 Flat land
- 56 Lauds
- 60 Business emblem
- 61 John or Sebastian
- 63 Shoe bottom
- 64 Baking chamber
- 65 Bring out
- 66 Story
- 67 Marries
- 68 Stitched
- 69 Hurried

DOWN

- 1 Headliner
- 2 Strong desire
- 3 Fisherman's need
- 4 Ruined
- 5 In unison
- 6 Sts.



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- 7 Kitchen vessel
- 8 Musical composition
- 9 Gobi, for one
- 10 Inexperienced person
- 11 Jeans maker
- 12 Short jacket
- 13 Mentally well
- 21 Legendary bird
- 23 Fathered
- 25 Attacks
- 26 Explosion
- 27 Tracking device
- 28 Follow after
- 29 Kind of school: abbr.
- 31 Scent
- 32 Original
- 33 Across: pref.
- 36 Volcanic mountain

- 47 Cuts
- 49 Age
- 51 Depart
- 53 Implement for farmers
- 54 Wander

- 55 Ancient
- 56 Jab
- 57 Cleanser
- 58 Magazine title
- 59 Plant starter
- 62 Fancy knot

COMMUNITY CORNER.

STILL TIME FOR GYPSY

S.R.O. Productions is performing **Gypsy** on October 8 and 9 at 8 p.m. and on October 10 at 3 p.m. Two BCC students, **Bethany Giegucz** and **Ryan Smith** are acting in the musical, as well as the Director of Student Activities, **Dave Maslar**, who plays **Herby**. The performances will be at the **Helen Foley Theater** in the **Binghamton City High School**. Call 722-2821 for ticket reservations.

GROUND BREAKING DISCOVERIES

On October 20, **Roberson** will present its second event in the **Broome County Historical Society's Fall Special-Program-Series**. **BCC Professor of Physical Science, Bruce Oldfield** will present a slide lecture on **Geology of the Southern Tier**. The program will begin at 7:30 in the **Sears-Harkness Theater** at **Roberson**, 30 Front St, **Binghamton**. There is no charge. Call 772-0660 for details.

P-FLAG MEETS

Parents and Friends of Lesbians and Gays (P-FLAG) monthly meeting will feature a presentation about **HOMOPHOBIA** by the **Southern Tier Aids Program (STAP)**, to help people become more sensitive to issues of the entire community. The meeting will be **November 1** at 7:30 p.m. at the **Unitarian Universalist Congregation Church**, 183 **Riverside Drive**, **Binghamton**. Admission free. Refreshments. All are welcome.

SMALL CHANGE

by: John M. Rouente



AWARENESS

INSIDE THE GOVERNMENT

MEMORIAL THREADS... WEAVING OF A LIFE

by Peg Relyea
Student Trustee

How do we as a country remember our dead? If you think about it for a minute, you may come to the conclusion that we really don't- they are dead, and we, the living, must go on.

But, for 194,000, the NAMES QUILT is a living, loving memorial to those who have lost their fight against AIDS and AIDS-related illnesses.

Organized in 1987 by Cleve Jones and six others in San Francisco, the NAMES QUILT PROJECT began as a lasting symbol of love and remembrance to those who had died. Armed with sewing needles, thread, and a few scraps of fabric, their special tribute soon took shape as a quilt.

The quilt is finally arriving at Broome Community College. Our campus will be hosting a display of the quilt on October 22, 23, and 24. The many thousands of panels which comprise the quilt are a lasting memorial from loved ones and friends from the gay and straight communities, and from those people who just want to make others aware.

In the spring of 1988, the Quilt was first displayed on the Capitol Mall in Washington, D.C. Its 1,920 panels

covered a space larger than two football fields and was seen by more than half-a-million people.

Since that spring, the Quilt has traveled thousands of miles and has grown in size. There are now 24,000 panels and 500 displays world wide.

Former President George Bush, on seeing the quilt remarked, "These amazing quilts...prove that no one is a statistic. Every life has its own fabric, its own colors, its own soul. No two are alike."

The quilt is called by many names. Some call it the NAMES quilt, or the AIDS quilt. Others call it a CELEBRATION OF COLOR. I would like to call it REMEMBRANCES OF HOPE AND LIFE.

Each three-foot by six-foot panel is lovingly pieced by hand, and each panel is different. Many are dated - dates of life and death. Some are wildly colored, a kaleidoscopic rainbow, while others are more muted. All are named. Every name has a story behind it and a history; a childhood of dreams, adolescence full of confusion, and a maturity cut short. The panels shout out their stories as we watch with tear-filled eyes and heavy hearts; we pick up the threads of their lives, weave them into ours, and continue living.

This month's showing has brought together members of the faculty, staff, students, and the community to form the quilt committee. In the past five months, since the showing was first proposed, they have met many times. Donations from individuals and corporations have come in to help defray the cost. Quilting bees have been organized on campus and in the community. The campus sponsored quilting bee on September 11 was attended by 128 people who worked on 55 ABC quilts. These quilts are given to children who have been:

diagnosed with HIV or AIDS; many are buried with the children when they die. Some of them are incorporated into the larger panels.

Get involved with the NAMES Quilt Project. How? The second quilting bee is being held on Saturday, October 9, and the work will continue on 4 full panels. Talk with your friends about the quilt. Volunteers are needed to help when the quilt arrives on October 21. Opening ceremonies are Friday, October 22 at 9:00 a.m. Perhaps you would rather work on one of the panels at the Quilting Bee, or you would like to volunteer some time during the display. Volunteer an hour, or two. Donate a dollar, or two,

but get involved. With your interest and involvement perhaps the day will come when people will ask not, "What IS AIDS?", but rather, "What WAS AIDS?"

Pieces of fabric... Remembrances... Hopes and dreams cut short.

The Quilt's memorial threads compel us to remember. And we do. The threads bring us together as one world, one family.

Until next time. Peace

FULCRUM FOOTNOTES

LAC DROP-IN HOURS

The Learning Assistance Center has peer tutors available to answer questions and facilitate small group discussions for the courses and times listed below.

ADN 205	Psych Nursing	Wed & Fri 12-2	Michelle Shelp
BIO 131	Human Biology	Mon 10-2 Fri 11-1	Cristin Aboff
BUS 100	Accounting I	Mon 2-4 Tues. 9-11 Wed 9-11 & 12:30-3	Jill King
BUS 101	Accounting II	Mon 4-6 & Thur 9-11	Jill King
BUS 112	QBM	Mon 1-2, Thur 11-12	Bruce Baker
BUS 118	Bus Law I	Tues 11-12:30 Thur 4-5:30	Joan Lubar
BUS 120	Bus Law II	Tues 4-6 Thur 4-5:30	Joan Lubar
CHM 102/ Chemistry		Mon & Wed 11-12	Dave Maillie
145/146		Tues & Fri 2-3 Thur 11-12	
PHY 141/ Physics		Mon 3-5, Tues 12-1	Alex Racheck
142		Fri 3-4	

RECOGNITION CEREMONY

The People of Culture club will host a Recognition Ceremony and Fall reception to applaud the efforts of individuals who participated in the Adopt-a-School program and to celebrate unity within our community. The event will take place on October 15 at 6 p.m. in the BCC Student Center Cafeteria.



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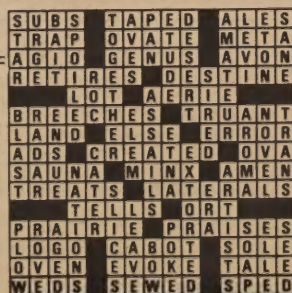
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